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## MEMORANDUM

TO : C

FROM : L

SUBJECT: VARFOVIC, Karl

1. Subject, who currently resides at Baumannplatz 4, SALZBURG, is believed to be the leader of the DURCANSKY group (SOV) for Land Salzburg, and is the author of the letter to VALKO, Stefan, Postlagernd, MUEHNBERG II, Langwasser, dated 25 August 1952, Salzburg censorship number S/P/26576, advising VALKO that the group, unknown, for which he plans to make a trip to CSR is actually working for the other side. (Copy of intercept attached).

2. While this may well be simple rivalry between Slovak Emigre groups, the possibility exists that MARKOVIC actually is in possession of information supporting his claims. In any case, the lead seems worth following up (and there is of course the possibility that CIC SALZBURG is already doing so -- but C-2 files do not indicate this.)

3. We are vitally interested in having MARKOVIC interrogated to determine the basis of statements made in the attached letter. We have been unable to collar VALKO (who, we believe, now works for CIC, but CIC is not admitting this -- 66th CIC). However, I believe an approach to MARKOVIC can be made by claiming VALKO went to CIC with the letter, if CGG must be covered -- though MARKOVIC probably is aware of censorship of international mails.

4. Please keep us out of the investigation.

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